

License Reactivation
Cosmetologist/ Esthetician/ Nail Technician/ Electrologist
Documentation Required for License Reactivation

- ☐ Reactivation application and fee (\$120). **All application fees are nonrefundable.** To apply, do one of the following:
 - 1. Create an account, apply and pay online at:
<https://ibpllicense.iowa.gov/PublicPortal/Iowa/IBPL/common/index.jsp>, OR
 - 2. Print, complete and return a paper application with a check or money order payable to the Iowa Board of Cosmetology Arts and Sciences:
<http://idph.iowa.gov/Portals/1/Files/Licensure/ReActivation%20Form%20%281.23.13%29.pdf>.
- ☐ License verification(s) from other states - If you practiced or were licensed in another state since your Iowa license went inactive, you must provide verification of licenses held in other states even if the out-of-state license is longer active.
 - Applicants that have been previously licensed, registered or certified in any other state must provide official verification of licensure in the other state(s). The license verification must include license issue date, expiration date and any pending or past disciplinary action. The verification may be printed from another state licensing board's website if it contains all of the required information. If web based verification is not available, the verification must be send directly to the Board office by the state(s) where the applicant has been licensed, registered, or certified. If the applicant has never been licensed in another state, ignore this item.
- ☐ Continuing Education Requirement –
 - You are exempt from continuing education requirements while your Iowa license was inactive if you:
 - Currently hold an active license in another state and have been practicing exclusively in that other state.
 - Served honorably on active duty in the military service during the time your Iowa license was inactive; or
 - Resided in another state or district that has continuing education requirements for the profession and you continually met all requirements of that state or district for practice therein; or
 - Were a government employee working in the your licensed specialty and you were assigned to duty outside the United States; or
 - Were absent from the state but engaged in active practice under circumstances which are approved by the board.
 - If you are not exempt from the continuing education requirement, you must provide proof of the following, depending on how long the license has been inactive:
 - License has been inactive five years or less – provide proof of completion of 8 hours of continuing education, including at least 2 hours of Iowa cosmetology and sanitation laws and rules and at least 4 hours specific to the license discipline (e.g. general cosmetology, esthetics, nails, electrology). The hours must be taken within the two years immediately preceding submission of the reactivation application.
 - License has been inactive more than 5 years – provide proof of completion of 16 hours of continuing education, including at least 2 hours of Iowa cosmetology and sanitation laws and rules and at least 4 hours specific to the license discipline (e.g. general cosmetology, esthetics, nails, electrology). The hours must be taken within the two years immediately preceding submission of the reactivation application.
- ☐ If you answer “Yes” to any of the disciplinary questions on the reactivation application, you must provide (1) a signed letter explaining the details of the incident, (2) a copy of court ordered evaluations (if any), showing completion and recommendations, and (3) a copy of **all** official court documents regarding your conviction, including final disposition and/or settlement.